

19 October 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with DDS&T Representatives

X1A 1. On 18 October 1976, Chief, Counterintelligence Staff, and the undersigned met for about one hour with the Deputy Director for S&T, Mr. Les Dirks, and the SA/DDS&T, M [REDACTED] in the office of the DDS&T.

X1C 2. The purpose of the meeting was to mutually explore ways in which the Counterintelligence Staff might contribute meaningful counterintelligence support to the activities of the Directorate for S&T. By way of introduction the Chief, Counterintelligence Staff, provided the DDS&T copies of two studies which the CI Staff had recently prepared [REDACTED] he also provided for the perusal of Mr. Dirks a recent CI note concerning the acquisition by the USSR of a highly classified U.S. Government document from within the British defense establishment.

X1A 3. The DDS&T indicated that he welcomed the initiative to discuss the topic as he believed the Directorate needed and could benefit from a sharpened defensive and counterintelligence program. He stated that while he believed the Directorate quite adequately could cope with the technical security pertaining to its programs, he thought the Directorate did have vulnerabilities in the personnel side of its activities and he specifically cited the field installations maintained by the Directorate in [REDACTED]. He discussed briefly the security arrangements concerning these installations. He noted that very little was done in briefing or debriefing staff and contract personnel assigned to such field elements. He also noted that the DDS&T has certain domestic vulnerabilities through its rather extensive involvement with U.S. contractors. He thought that the Counterintelligence Staff might well be able to assist the Directorate in coping with the problem.

X1A 4. A discussion ensued concerning the reliance on [REDACTED] for the security and counterintelligence support to the [REDACTED] site and the role which [REDACTED] plays in the physical security of the [REDACTED] installation. The DDS&T representatives noted that the Soviets are undoubtedly aware of all these sites but that [REDACTED]

X1A [REDACTED] In discussing the possible extent to which

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X1A the Soviets might go to gain some insight into the activities of these installations, it was noted that recently the Soviet Ambassador together with certain of his KGB representatives had visited [REDACTED] site.

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X1A 5. The Chief, Counterintelligence Staff, noted that there had been an informal working relationship in previous years between the DDS&T and the CI Staff but that no records existed covering the substance of those relationships. All agreed that the DDS&T would benefit from a reestablishment of a working relationship with the CI Staff and that we would continue discussions to develop the procedures for implementing this. As a start, Chief, CI Staff asked that the DDS&T plan to send two officers to the next running of the Counterintelligence Operations Course in November 1976. (The DDS&T subsequently advised that it intended to do so and that it would send the Headquarters officers who are responsible for the [REDACTED])

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X1A [REDACTED] The DDS&T asked that the Staff consider developing an abbreviated counterintelligence briefing program which could be given in one or two days and which would be designed for DDS&T officers departing for assignments to DDS&T overseas sites. The Chief, CI Staff agreed to do so. The DDS&T indicated that at some point he would also plan to send some of his officers manning [REDACTED] to the Counterintelligence Operations Course. Chief, Counterintelligence Staff, suggested that at some point in the future it might be useful for a representative from the Staff together with a representative from the DDS&T to visit the DDS&T overseas sites to discuss the counterintelligence threat with the site members as well as the liaison officers involved in supporting those sites.

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6. It was agreed that additional discussions will be held to further refine ways in which the Staff and the Directorate can develop a mutually beneficial working relationship.

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